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For: **METHOD OF MODIFYING GUM ARABIC, MODIFIED GUM ARABIC OBTAINED BY THE METHOD, AND USE THEREOF**

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